

Quick Reference Guide of Print and On-line Career Planning Resources

Virginia DOE Print Resources

r u ready? Life after High School Prepare Now for the Road Ahead

- Magazine with copies sent to the guidance office at all high schools in November to be distributed to juniors
- www.doe.virginia.gov/VDOE/Instruction/CTE/ruready.html

Parents: Help Your Child Prepare Now for the Road Ahead

- 6-page folder sent to the guidance office at all middle schools in November to be distributed to 8th graders
- www.doe.virginia.gov/VDOE/Instruction/CTE/ruready.html

Virginia DOE On-Line Resources

Virginia's Career Planning Guide powered by Kuder©

- On-line career planning portfolio available to all public students in 6th-12th grade and community college students
- Students create own password protected account at: va.kuder.com
- Career assessments; Resume builder; Career & College search; Job Interview Planner
- Batch codes available from Guidance Office

Virginia Career Information Delivery Systems

- **Career Clusters in Virginia**
 - www.doe.virginia.gov/VDOE/Instruction/CTE/careerclusters/
- **Virginia Career VIEW**
 - www.vacareerview.org
 - Kindergarten through Adult resources
 - Downloadable activities
- **Career Prospects in Virginia**
 - www.careerprospects.org
 - Nontraditional employment resources
- **Virginia Career Education Foundation**
 - www.knowhowvirginia.org
 - Career cluster information specific to CTE
- **Career Planning Guide**
 - www.cteresource.org/cpg
 - Cross references CTE courses with career clusters and careers

Virginia Department of Education Offices

- **Career and Technical Education**
 - www.doe.virginia.gov/VDOE/Instruction/CTE/
- **Project Graduation**
 - www.doe.virginia.gov/2plus4in2004/
 - Diploma information
- **School Guidance and Counseling**
 - www.doe.virginia.gov/VDOE/studentsrvcs/guidance-cnsl.shtml
- **CTE Certification Web Site**
 - www.doe.virginia.gov/VDOE/Instruction/CTE/certification/

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Other State/Federal Resources

Search Engines

Explore Virginia Colleges

- www.explorevirginiacolleges.org/students/CSindex.asp
- Preparing for College

Virginia Mentor

- www.virginiamentor.org
- Career exploration, campus descriptions, online applications, financial aid information and more

Council of Independent Colleges in Virginia

- www.cicv.org/

VCCS College Locator

- www.vccs.edu/CollegeLocator/tabid/201/Default.aspx
- Search by college campus, major, program or degree

VCCS Guaranteed Admissions Agreement Transfer Tool

- myfuture.vccs.edu/Transfer/
- Information on how to transfer from community college to a 4-year college

Financial Aid/Scholarship Information

FAFSA on the Web

- www.fafsa.ed.gov
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid

FinAid

- www.finaid.org
- Comprehensive Guide to Financial Aid

FastWeb

- www.fastweb.com
- Scholarship Search Engine

Student jobs in Government – e-Scholar

- www.studentjobs.gov/e-scholar.asp
- One stop portal for student jobs, internships, scholarships, fellowships, grants, apprenticeships and cooperative education within the Federal Government

Virginia College Savings Plan

- www.virginia529.com

Employment Information

Virginia Employment Commission Labor Market Indicator

- velma.virtuallmi.com
- Designed for job seekers, students, employers, training providers, workforce professionals, and others seeking to explore local labor markets and provides access to a complete set of employment tools.

U.S. Department of Labor: Bureau of Labor and Statistics

- www.bls.gov/

Careers in State Government

- jobs.agencies.virginia.gov/

CareerConnect

- <http://www.careerconnect.state.va.us/>
- Virginia's One-Stop Workforce System

Apprenticeships

- www.careerconnect.state.va.us/training/appren1.htm

Military Careers

- www.military.com

Internship Search Engine

- www.internshipprograms.com/

Career Clusters

States' Career Cluster Initiative

- www.careerclusters.org
- Provides career cluster resources